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Serial Number of Application	Current Status	Atty. Reference No.
Ser. No. 09/999,503, filed October 22, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 09/887,299, filed June 22, 2001, which claims the benefit of Ser. No. 60/258,765, filed December 30, 2000	Response to Office Action due 8/3/2005, not yet filed	4906.P016X
Ser. No. 09/887,957, filed June 22, 2001, which claims the benefit of Ser. No. 60/258,759, filed December 30, 2000	RCE filed with IDS references 7/13/2005	4906.P028
Ser. No. 09/887,302, filed June 22, 2001, which claims the benefit of Ser. No. 60/258,761, filed December 30, 2000	Response to Office Action filed 6/14/2005	4906.P044
Ser. No. 09/887,303, filed June 22, 2001, which claims the benefit of Ser. No. 60/258,761, filed December 30, 2000	Response to Office Action filed 8/22/2005	4906.P060

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 issued patents. Applicants believe that Examiner has access to the file histories for each
 of these related cases including the invention disclosure statements, office actions, and

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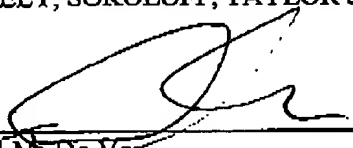
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